[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

### III.—CHANGE IN THE DATE FOR RECEIPT OF CUT MOTIONS ON THE BUDGET.

MR. SPEAKER :—"In modification of the announcement made by me on the 27th June 1952, I have to inform hon. Members that the time for receipt of notices of Cut Motions is extended from the 3rd to the 8th July 1952 as His Excellency the Governor has changed the dates for the general discussion of the Budget for 1952–53."

### IV.—GOVERNMENT MOTION *RE* VOTE OF CONFIDENCE IN THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS—*cont.*

* SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" Mr. Speaker, Sir, for the last three days we have been hearing mostly the voices of the Opposition and I had expected, probably wrongly, that the other side also would come forward with their arguments why this Motion has been brought forward at this stage of the proceedings of the House. Even though our Hon. Chief Minister had told us that freedom had been given to his party Members to vote according to their conscience or as the god or gods seated in their hearts told them to do, I find that freedom of lifting their hands only has been given to them and not the freedom of opening their mouths. And that is the reason, Sir, why we find that the only two or three Members who came forward to support the Motion have not been from the Government benches, but from other benches somewhere in the centre of this Hall. The arguments that have been advanced by those who wanted to support the Motion have been peculiar enough and not very much concerned with what the Hon. the Chief Minister has stated in his own statement. They were much more particular of attacking a section of the Opposition, and because they wanted to attack this section of the Opposition, they thought they should vote for the Congress Government whatever might be its policies or its actions or its principles. So, it has happened that the very first hon. Member who spoke in support of the Motion has been Mr. Muthiah Chettiar, a very, very important personage, of course, in this State, who has been very much trying to see, from the date the elections were over, to get, in whatever way possible, the Congress into power. I am not surprised and certainly the Opposition is not surprised at the vehement way in which he supported the Motion, because he knows that his interests and the interests of his class can be protected only by the Government that is now sitting on the Treasury Benches and certainly not by a Government that would come into power if the Opposition is given a chance. Therefore, Sir, that kind of support is a welcome sign so far as we and the people are concerned and I wish many more Members of that type would come forward and speak out what is in their hearts so that people will know as to who stands where.

" So far as the Muslim League's support to the Motion is concerned, it is another welcome sign. The Muslim League thinks that the Congress Ministry is to be supported because it believes